iv. Yes, it is a mixed school. There are separate latrines for boys and girls, but no tiffin sheds and play-grounds.

v. Yes, a plot of land was acquired in 1109 to meet the school needs. This provides room for tennis, badminton, volley ball, etc. The difficulty is mainly with regard to foot-ball.

Improvement of a poramboke tank in Chittur Taluk.

115. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(1) what the present condition of the tank "കൊഴിപ്പാടം" in Eravattapparapathy village in the Vadakarapathy Group of Panchayats in Chittur Taluk;

(2) whether it is the only poramboke tank for villages of എരുമക്കാരന്തർ, കോഴിപാറ ഉൾ, ചെറുപ്പാറ & നീളിപ്പാറ;

(3) whether they are aware that people and cattle were put to great hardship for want of water;

(4) if so, what action have they taken to avoid the recurrence of the same;

(5) if not, will they be pleased to take up the improvement of the tank at once?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—(1) The tank is in an almost silted up condition now.

(2) This is the only poramboke tank in Eravattaparapathy and Kozhipara.

(3), (4) and (5) Government think that a good tank in the locality is a necessity and steps will be taken to improve the existing tank according to the availability of funds.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to consider the case of this tank before they launch upon a work which is a luxury?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—This tank covers an extent of 2 acres and the cost will be about 4,000 rupees.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government consider this before any other work which is considered a luxury?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—It is a matter of opinion whether a work is a luxury or not.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Do the Government provide for luxuries?

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Dr. A. R. Menon.—May I know whether this supplies the needs of a very large population?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—Government has admitted that.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Having admitted that will the Government be pleased, after taking into consideration that Chittur is the Cindrella of the State, to consider the claims of Chittur in preference to others?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—It will be considered.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Will the Government, if they are convinced of the importance of this work, give preference to this work?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—If there are more important works they will have to be attended to.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—If the Government are convinced that it supplies the needs of a very large population, will they give preference to this work seeing that the tank is badly silted up?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—The work will be taken up according to the availability of funds.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—That is already printed there. I am trying to find out whether they will consider this question as one of importance instead of simply saying that it will be done when funds are available. Will they reconsider this question considering the importance as admitted by the Government and take up the work at an early date?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—This will be considered at the time of the budget.

Commodities—Ottupara Market.

116. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) what are the commodities allowed for being dealt with in the market at Ottupara (Licensee Mr. K. Mohammed);

(b) has he a license to deal in articles other than arecanut?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—(a) It is a general market where all articles are brought for sale.

(b) Yes.

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